(Rs. in Crore)

Years	Freight	Passengers	Total
1998-1999	3766.20	120.87	3887.07
1999-2000	3878.22	135.33	4013.55
2000-2001	4237.31	144.78	4382.09

(b) Year-wise Originating Earnings of South Eastern Railway is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Years	Freight	Passengers	Total
1998-1999	7590.85	621.78	8212.63
1999-2000	8047.16	695.50	8742.66
2000-2001	9001.67	773.56	9775.23

Condition of Railway Labourers

1477. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Book on 1974 rail strike released", appearing in the Hindu dated the 31st May, 2001;

(b) whether it is a fact that no change has taken place in the condition of railway labourers and they are having the same plight and facing the same problems, as they had been facing in 1974; and

(c) if so, what is the reaction of Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.